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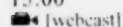
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General Assembly

Seventy-third session

15:00



[webcast]

20th plenary meeting

General Assembly Hall

Strengthening of the United Nations system - Item 125

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 11 October 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Document: A/73/L.5

Security Council

10:00



[webcast]

8372nd meeting

Security Council Chamber

Adoption of the agenda

Maintenance of international peace and security

Root causes of conflict – the role of natural resources

Document: S/2018/901

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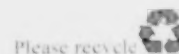


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15:00 Consultations of the whole (closed) Security Council Consultations Room

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Other matters

Documents: S/2018/867

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Link: Website

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General Assembly

Seventy-third session

First Committee

Seventy-third session

15:00 - 18:00

8th plenary meeting  [webcast]

Conference Room 4

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items

The general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items is taking place from 8 October 2018 to 17 October 2018.

Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, a time limit of *8 minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *13 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations, should be observed.

The thematic discussion will take place from 17 October 2018 to 31 October 2018.

The list of speakers for the thematic discussions will close on 22 October 2018, at 18:00.

The time limit for the thematic discussions is *five minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *seven minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations.

The deadline for submission of draft resolutions and decisions under all agenda items is 18 October 2018, at 12:00.

The composition of delegations, names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact the secretariat of the Committee.

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee Place.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 30 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Documents: A/C.1/73/1, A/C.1/73/INF/1, A/C.1/73/INF/4, A/73/27, A/73/42, A/73/91, A/73/92, A/73/94, A/73/95, A/73/96, A/73/97, A/73/99, A/73/111, A/73/112, A/73/113, A/73/114, A/73/115, A/73/116, A/73/117, A/73/118, A/73/119, A/73/120, A/73/122, A/73/126, A/73/127, A/73/151, A/73/154, A/73/156, A/73/159, A/73/168, A/73/177, A/73/182 (Part I), A/73/182 (Part II), A/73/185, A/73/202, A/73/224, A/73/256, A/73/259, A/73/284, A/C.1/73/L.1, A/C.1/73/L.2, A/C.1/73/L.10, A/C.1/73/L.11, A/C.1/73/L.12, A/C.1/73/L.13, A/C.1/73/L.14, A/C.1/73/L.15, A/C.1/73/L.16, A/C.1/73/L.17 and A/C.1/73/L.18

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Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Seventy-third session

10:00 to 13:00

8th plenary meeting  [webcast]

Conference Room 4

Consideration of decolonization items (continued)

Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations - Item 59

Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories - Item 60

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations - Item 61

Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories - Item 62

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples - Item 63

Joint general debate on decolonization items (concluded)

Action on proposals submitted under decolonization items

The list of speakers for the general discussion on the following items of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) is open:

University for Peace - Item 51

Effects of atomic radiation - Item 52

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space - Item 53

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East - Item 54

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories - Item 55

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects - Item 56

Comprehensive review of special political missions - Item 57

Questions relating to information - Item 58

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription.

The composition of delegations, names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

For details, please see link.

Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of 10 minutes for statements by individual Member States and 15 minutes for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 20 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Any additional queries should be directed to the secretariat of the Committee.

Documents: A/C.4/73/1, A/C.4/73/L.1, A/C.4/73/INF.1, A/C.4/73/INF.4, A/73/23, A/73/64, A/73/73, A/73/219, A/73/70, A/C.4/73/L.2 and A/C.4/73/L.3

Links: e-deleGATE Portal and PaperSmart

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Second Committee

Seventy-third session

10:00 – 11:15

14th plenary meeting  [webcast]

Conference Room 2

Sustainable development - Item 20

Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development - Item 20 (a)

Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States - Item 20 (b)

Disaster risk reduction - Item 20 (c)

Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind - Item 20 (d)

Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa - Item 20 (e)

Convention on Biological Diversity - Item 20 (f)

Report of the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme - Item 20 (g)

Harmony with Nature - Item 20 (h)

Ensuring access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all - Item 20 (i)

Combating sand and dust storms - Item 20 (j)

The role of the international community in the prevention of the radiation threat in Central Asia - Item 20 (k)

Conclusion of the general discussion

Information on the work of the Committee, as well as related documentation and side events, are available on its website.

Inscription to the lists of speakers for the general discussion of individual agenda items of the Committee is also open.

In accordance with established practice, the time limits of 5 minutes for individual Member States and 7 minutes for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general discussion of individual agenda items will be observed.

The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States for the general discussion on agenda items allocated to the Committee should be sent through the e-Speakers system.

Intergovernmental organizations, entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe with the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Second Committee.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 25 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Members, as well as observers, are requested to register the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers through the e-List of Participants module on the e-deleGATE portal.

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on Committee matters should be sent as soon as possible, but no later than 17:00 of the day before the meeting, to the secretariat of the Committee.

Documents: A/C.2/73/1, A/C.2/73/L.1, A/C.2/73/L.1/Add.1/Rev.1, A/73/283, A/73/258, A/73/302, A/73/81-E/2018/59, A/73/166, A/73/204, A/73/345, A/73/225, A/73/226, A/73/382, A/73/268, A/73/255, A/73/25, A/73/221, A/73/267 and A/73/306

15:00 – 18:00

Special event 1  [webcast]

Conference Room 2

Infrastructure and sustainable development: Making infrastructure investments work for women and girls

Opening statements

Panel discussion

Interactive discussion

The meeting will be interactive in nature and there will be no pre-determined list of speakers.

Information on the work of the Committee, as well as related documentation and side events, are available on its website.

Document: A/C.2/73/L.1

Links: Website, Advance Documentation for the Session, Side Events, e-deleGATE Portal and PaperSmart

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Third Committee
Seventy-third session

10:00 - 13:00

19th meeting  [webcast]

Conference Room 1

Organizational matters

Promotion and protection of human rights - Item 74

Implementation of human rights instruments - Item 74 (a)

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms - Item 74 (b)

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives - Item 74 (c)

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action - item 74 (d)

Introductory statement(s) by senior Secretariat official(s), followed by question time

Introductory statement(s) by special procedures mandate holder(s), followed by interactive dialogue

General discussion

Documents: A/73/40, A/73/44, A/73/48, A/73/56, A/73/140, A/73/207, A/73/264, A/73/281, A/73/282, A/73/309, A/73/138, A/73/139, A/73/139/Corr.1, A/73/152, A/73/153, A/73/158, A/73/161, A/73/162, A/73/163, A/73/164, A/73/165, A/73/171, A/73/172, A/73/173, A/73/175, A/73/178, A/73/179, A/73/181, A/73/188, A/73/205, A/73/206, A/73/210, A/73/215, A/73/216, A/73/227, A/73/230, A/73/260, A/73/262, A/73/271, A/73/279, A/73/310, A/73/314, A/73/336, A/73/347, A/73/348, A/73/361, A/73/362, A/73/365, A/73/385, A/73/299, A/73/308, A/73/330, A/73/332, A/73/363, A/73/380, A/73/386, A/73/397, A/73/398, A/73/404, A/73/36, A/73/399 and A/C.3/73/2

To be issued: A/73/396

15:00 - 18:00

20th meeting  [webcast]

Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of human rights - Item 74

Implementation of human rights instruments - Item 74 (a)

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms - Item 74 (b)

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives - Item 74 (c)

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action - item 74 (d)

Introductory statement(s) by special procedures mandate holder(s), followed by interactive dialogue

General discussion

Inscription to the lists of speakers for items on the agenda of the Committee is open.

In accordance with established practice, the time limits of *five minutes* for individual Member States and *17 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general debate will be observed.

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States for the general discussion on agenda items allocated to the Committee should be sent through the e-Speakers system.

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription.

Intergovernmental organizations, entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe with the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat in writing.

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on Committee matters should be sent as soon as possible to the secretariat of the Committee.

For inclusion in the list of participants, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the e-List of Participants module in e-deleGATE.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 20 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Statements will be made available on the Third Committee PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations.

Documents: A/73/40, A/73/44, A/73/48, A/73/56, A/73/140, A/73/207, A/73/264, A/73/281, A/73/282, A/73/309, A/73/138, A/73/139, A/73/139/Corr.1, A/73/152, A/73/153, A/73/158, A/73/161, A/73/162, A/73/163, A/73/164, A/73/165, A/73/171, A/73/172, A/73/173, A/73/175, A/73/178, A/73/179, A/73/181, A/73/188, A/73/205, A/73/206, A/73/210, A/73/215, A/73/216, A/73/227, A/73/230, A/73/260, A/73/262, A/73/271, A/73/279, A/73/310, A/73/314, A/73/336, A/73/347, A/73/348, A/73/361, A/73/362, A/73/365, A/73/385, A/73/299, A/73/308, A/73/330, A/73/332, A/73/363, A/73/380, A/73/386, A/73/397, A/73/398, A/73/404, A/73/36 and A/73/399

To be issued: A/73/396

Links: e-deleGATE Portal, PaperSmart, List of senior Secretariat and UN officials expected to delivery introductory statements before the Third Committee of the General Assembly at its seventy-third session, List of Special Procedure Mandate Holders invited to address the Third Committee in its seventy-third session and Website

Contacts: List of speakers for IGOs, Observers, UN system, specialized agencies and regional commissions (leone@un.org), Room reservations for informal consultations (poliakova@un.org) and PaperSmart (papersmart3@un.org)

Fifth Committee Seventy-third session

10:00

5th meeting  [webcast]

Conference Room 3

Improving the financial situation of the United Nations - Item 138

Secretariat statement

Followed by - 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Programme planning - Item 137	
	Documents: A/73/16 and A/73/77	
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations - Item 140	
	Documents: A/73/11 and A/73/76	
	Links: Website and e-deleGATE Portal	

Sixth Committee
Seventy-third session

10:00 - 13:00	15th plenary meeting  [webcast]	Trusteeship Council Chamber
	Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its fifty-first session - Item 80	
	Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts - Item 83	
	Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least <i>one hour</i> in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 30 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than <i>one hour</i> before delivery of the statement.	
	Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the secretariat of the Committee.	
	The names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE portal.	
	For information regarding access to the e-deleGATE portal, please contact the DGACM Helpdesk.	
	Document: A/73/17 and A/73/277	
15:00 - 18:00	Working Group I (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber
	Measures to eliminate international terrorism - Item 111	
	Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States should be submitted by their respective focal points through the e-Speakers module on the e-deleGATE portal.	
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The names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE portal.

Documents: A/73/125, A/68/37 and A/60/329

Links: PaperSmart and Website

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Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 - 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or Security Council - Thematic Cluster 3: Report of the Secretary-General	
15:00 - 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf Forty-eighth session

10:00 - 13:00	Closed meeting	Geographic Information System laboratories DOALOS (DC2, 4th Fl)
15:00 - 18:00	Closed meeting	Geographic Information System laboratories DOALOS (DC2, 4th Fl)

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Tuesday, 16 October 2018 to Friday, 30 November 2018 from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly Seventy-third session

17 October 2018

15:00	21st plenary meeting  [webcast]	General Assembly Hall
	International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals - Item 130	
	Document: A/73/289	

18 October 2018

15:00

22nd plenary meeting  [webcast]

General Assembly Hall

Impact of rapid technological change on the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals - Item 133

An informal meeting of the plenary on the Impact of Rapid Technological Change on the Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals will take place at 15:00 immediately before the start of the formal plenary meeting at 16:00.

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 12 October 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

19 October 2018

10:00

23rd plenary meeting  [webcast]

General Assembly Hall

New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support - Item 68

2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa - Item 13

Joint debate

Documents: A/73/269, A/73/270 and A/73/273

Fifth Committee

Seventy-third session

17 October 2018

10:00 - 13:00

Informal consultations (closed)

Conference Room 5

Links: Website and e-deleGATE Portal

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

22 October 2018

10:00

290th meeting (closed)

Conference Room 11

Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee.

The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public.

Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its meeting 164 in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982.

Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

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Security Council

18 October 2018

10:00

Security Council Chamber

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Thursday, 18 October 2018, at 10:00, in connection with the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with Rule 37 of the Council's Provisional Rules of Procedure, starting on Monday, 15 October 2018, at 09:30.

Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by email.

Delegations are requested to limit their statements to no more than 4 minutes.

Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or email, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Security Council or emailed to the secretariat of the Council.

For communications to be published as an official document of the Security Council, please email its text in a Microsoft Word format.

For more information, please visit the website of the Presidency of the Security Council.

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Summary of official meetings

Friday, 12 October 2018

General Assembly

Seventy-third session

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Seventy-third session

 [archived video]

6th plenary meeting

Agenda items 59, 60, 61, 62, and 63.

The Chair (Liberia) made a statement.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and People - Item 63

Question of Western Sahara (continued)**Hearing of Petitioners**

On the basis of the decision taken at the 2nd meeting, the Committee heard statements by Mr. Sidi Omar, of Frente Polisario; Ms. Karen Baez; Mr. Mohamed Ali Arkoukou, of Free Western Sahara; Mr. Ahmed Hormat Allah, of Dakhla-Oued Eddahab region in Western Sahara; Mr. Chris Sassi, of Skc, Inc.; Mr. Ahmed Baqai, of Westminster College, Missouri; Ms. Paloma López Bermejo, of the European Parliament; Ms. Maria Antonia Sureda Marti, of Intergrupo "Paz Y Solidaridad Con El Pueblo Saharaui"; Ms. Fatma Seida, of Laayoun-Sakia Al Hamra region; Mr. Mohamed Ayach, of Foum El Oued commune; Mr. Hammad El Baihi, of Observatoire du Sahara pour la paix, la démocratie et les droits de l'homme; Mr. Sidi Laâroussi Dahi, of Laâyoune; Mr. Zine El Aabidine El Ouali, of Association 9 mars; Ms. Agustina Vilaret Gonzalez and Maalainine Yara, of Laayoune Online.

The representative of Zimbabwe posed a question to which Mr. Sidi Omar responded.

General debate

The Committee resumed its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Papua New Guinea (on behalf of the Melanesian Spearhead Group, comprising of Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, and Vanuatu), France, Cuba, Costa Rica, New Zealand, Guyana, Peru, the Central African Republic, Angola, Qatar, and Iraq.

Right of reply

Statements in exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of United Kingdom, Argentina and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

A statement was made by the representative of the Russian Federation.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

Monday, 15 October 2018**General Assembly**

Seventy-third session

First Committee

 [archived video]

7th plenary meeting

The summary of the 7th plenary meeting of the First Committee will appear in the next issue of the Journal (No. 2018/200).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Seventy-third session

 [archived video]

7th plenary meeting

Agenda items 59, 60, 61, 62, and 63.

The Chair (Liberia) made a statement.

The Committee decided to postpone action on draft resolution X, pertaining to the Question of Guam, contained in document A/73/23 (chapter XIII), as well as on the draft decision pertaining to the Question of Gibraltar.

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of India, Pakistan, the United Arab Emirates, Colombia, Saudi Arabia, China, Botswana, Namibia, Gabon, the United Kingdom, Mauritius, Mexico, Indonesia, Bahrain, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Burkina Faso, Senegal, Yemen, Saint Lucia, Kenya, Ethiopia, Lesotho, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Bangladesh, Uganda, Cameroon and Honduras.

Right of reply

Statements in exercise of the right to reply were made by the representatives of Spain, Argentina, the United Kingdom and Mauritius.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of France and the Russian Federation.

The Committee decided to also postpone action on draft resolution IX, pertaining to the question of French Polynesia, contained in document A/73/23 (chapter XIII).

Second Committee

Seventy-third session

 [archived video]

12th-13th plenary meetings

The summary of the 12th and 13th plenary meetings of the Second Committee will appear in the next issue of the Journal (No. 2018/200).

Third Committee

Seventy-third session

 [archived video]

17th plenary meeting

Promotion and protection of human rights - Item 74

- (a) Implementation of human rights instruments
- (b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms
- (c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives
- (d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

The Committee began its joint consideration of the sub-items.

Introductory statement by a senior Secretariat official, followed by question time

The Committee heard an introductory statement by the High Commissioner for Human Rights, who responded to questions posed and comments made by the representatives of

Morocco (on behalf of the Group of African States), Cuba, Romania, Argentina, Poland, Qatar, Germany, the United States, Spain, Belarus, Burundi, Brazil, the Syrian Arab Republic, Albania, Japan, Switzerland, Iceland (on behalf of the Nordic-Baltic countries composed of Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway and Sweden), Eritrea, Chile, Greece, Peru, Egypt, Liechtenstein, Georgia, China, the European Union, Mexico, the Netherlands, Angola, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Portugal, Guatemala, Ireland, Libya, Viet Nam, Saudi Arabia, the United Kingdom, Canada, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, the Russian Federation, India, Algeria, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the United Arab Emirates, the Comoros, Ukraine, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Pakistan, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Afghanistan, Indonesia, Myanmar, and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela as well as by the observer of the State of Palestine.

Organization of work

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

The Chair made a statement.

18th plenary meeting

The summary of the 18th plenary meeting of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the Journal (No. 2018/200).

Fifth Committee

Seventy-third session

 [archived video]

4th plenary meeting

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations - Item 135

The Committee resumed its consideration of the agenda item.

Shifting the management paradigm in the United Nations: comparative assessment of human resources structures

The Chef de Cabinet introduced the report of the Secretary-General on shifting the management paradigm in the United Nations: comparative assessment of human resources structures (A/73/366).

The Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/73/411).

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the European Union (also on behalf of the candidate countries Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania, the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, Armenia and Georgia, which aligned themselves with the statement), New Zealand (also on behalf of Canada and Australia (CANZ)), Switzerland (also on behalf of Liechtenstein), Mexico, the United States, Pakistan, Japan, China, Morocco, and the Russian Federation.

The Chef de Cabinet responded to questions raised and made concluding remarks.

The Committee concluded its general discussion of that item at that stage.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on that question would be held on that day, Monday, 15 October immediately following the adjournment of the

formal meeting and would be coordinated by Ms. Maha Yaqoot Juma Yaqoot Harqoos (United Arab Emirates).

Sixth Committee
Seventy-third session

 [archived video]

14th plenary meeting

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization - Item 85

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 85.

Statements were made by the representatives of Maldives, the United States, Uruguay, Bangladesh, Malaysia, Algeria, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Brazil and Mauritius.

The representatives of the United Arab Emirates and the Republic of Korea made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

The Committee thus concluded its debate on agenda item 85.

Observer status in the General Assembly

A general statement was made by the representative of Cuba.

Observer status for the Cooperation Council of Turkic-speaking States in the General Assembly - Item 169

The Committee started its consideration of agenda item 169.

The Vice-Chair of the Committee spoke.

The Committee concluded its debate on agenda item 169.

The Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly defer a decision on the request for observer status for the Cooperation Council of Turkic-speaking States in the General Assembly to the seventy-fourth session of the Assembly.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 169.

Observer status for the Eurasian Economic Union in the General Assembly - Item 170

The Committee started its consideration of agenda item 170.

The Vice-Chair of the Committee spoke.

The Committee concluded its debate on agenda item 170.

The Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly defer a decision on the request for observer status for the Eurasian Economic Union in the General Assembly to the seventy-fourth session of the Assembly.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 170.

Observer status for the Community of Democracies in the General Assembly - Item 171

The Committee started its consideration of agenda item 171.

The representative of United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland introduced the draft resolution contained in document A/C.6/73/L.9 and announced that Canada, the Netherlands and Romania had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, the Syrian Arab Republic, Poland, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Nicaragua, Singapore and the Plurinational State of Bolivia.

The Committee concluded its debate on agenda item 171.

Observer status for the Observer status for the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands Secretariat in the General Assembly – Item 172

The Committee started its consideration of agenda item 172.

The Chair of the Committee spoke.

The Committee concluded its debate on agenda item 172.

The Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly defer a decision on the request for observer status for the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands Secretariat in the General Assembly to the seventy-fourth session of the Assembly.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 172.

Observer status for the Global Environment Facility in the General Assembly – Item 173

The Committee started its consideration of agenda item 173.

The Chair of the Committee spoke.

The Committee concluded its debate on agenda item 173.

The Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly defer a decision on the request for observer status for the Global Environment Facility in the General Assembly to the seventy-fourth session of the Assembly.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 173.

Observer status for the New Development Bank in the General Assembly – Item 174

The Committee started its consideration of agenda item 174.

The representative of China introduced the draft resolution contained in document A/C.6/73/L.4 and announced that the Netherlands and the Sudan had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of Brazil, South Africa, the Russian Federation and India.

The Committee concluded its debate on agenda item 174.

Observer status for the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea in the General Assembly – Item 175

The Committee started its consideration of agenda item 175.

The representative of Norway (also on behalf of Denmark, Finland, Iceland and Sweden (Nordic countries)) introduced the draft resolution contained in document A/C.6/73/L.5 and announced that Belgium, Canada, France, the Netherlands, South Africa, Spain and the United States of America had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the representative of South Africa.

The Committee concluded its debate on agenda item 175.

Observer status for the European Public Law Organization in the General Assembly – Item 176

The Committee started its consideration of agenda item 176.

The representative of Portugal introduced the draft resolution contained in document A/C.6/73/L.6 and announced that Bulgaria, Greece, the Netherlands, Romania and Serbia had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

The Committee concluded its debate on agenda item 176.

Observer status for the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank in the General Assembly – Item 177

The Committee started its consideration of agenda item 177.

The representative of China introduced the draft resolution contained in document A/C.6/73/L.7 and announced that Argentina, Cambodia, Israel, Nepal, the Netherlands, Romania, the Sudan, Turkey and Viet Nam had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Singapore, South Africa, Brazil, India and Viet Nam.

The Committee concluded its debate on agenda item 177.

Observer status for the International Think Tank for Landlocked Developing Countries in the General Assembly – Item 178

The Committee started its consideration of agenda item 178.

The representative of Mongolia introduced the draft resolution contained in document A/C.6/73/L.8 and announced that the Sudan had joined as sponsor of the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of Paraguay and Nepal.

The Committee concluded its debate on agenda item 178.

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15:00 - 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room D

African Group (at the ambassadorial level)

16:00 - 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 11
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17 October 2018

10:00 - 11:00

Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Africa Dialogue Series 2018 - AU-UN frameworks for enhanced partnership on peace and security and the implementation of Africa's Agenda 2063 and the 2030 Agenda: from policy to implementation" (A/RES/72/310, A/RES/72/311 and A/RES/66/293) (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), DPI, UNECA, the African Union, NEPAD Agency and APRM)

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Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

17 October 2018

11:00 - 13:00

Closed meeting

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17 October 2018

15:00 - 16:00

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17 October 2018

16:00 - 18:00

Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Africa Dialogue Series 2018 - United Nations system support in operationalising the Peace, Security, Human Rights, Humanitarian and Development nexus in Africa - with focus on the Sahel" (A/RES/72/310, A/RES/72/311 and A/RES/66/293) (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), DPI, UNECA, the African Union, NEPAD Agency and APRM)

18 October 2018

10:00 - 12:30

Economic and Social Council Chamber

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18 October 2018

15:00 - 16:00

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18 October 2018

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23 October 2018

10:00 - 13:00

Closed meeting

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26 October 2018

10:00 - 13:00

Closed meeting

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